

EXECUTIVE ORDER

NO. 91 - 18

EXPANDING AND CONTINUING THE GOVERNOR'S REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GRAAC)

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has continued to be among the leaders in the nation in sustained population growth and increasing economic vitality over the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, the future growth of the state's population and of its economic vitality is directly related to the adequacy of its transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, aviation will continue to increase in importance as a major mode of passenger and cargo transportation over the next several decades; and

WHEREAS, aviation infrastructure improvements and development of aviation facilities require long-term planning; and

WHEREAS, Governor Rose Mofford had appointed a Governor's Regional Airport Advisory Committee (GRAAC) to make recommendations regarding the need for a new regional airport within the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the GRAAC has already completed the tasks of reviewing existing aviation studies and plans, receiving public input, recommending to the Governor that a regional airport feasibility study be conducted, and reviewing the Request For Proposals prepared by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for such Regional Airport Feasibility Assessment (RAFA) study; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Transportation is selecting a consultant team to conduct the RAFA study;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arizona by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, DO HEREBY ORDER THAT:

1. The Governor's Regional Airport Advisory Committee (GRAAC) be continued and expanded to advise ADOT during the feasibility study and to make recommendations regarding the need for a new regional airport within the State of Arizona.
2. The expanded GRAAC will consist initially of not more than fifty (50) voting members duly appointed by the Governor to represent the various regional, aviation, and economic interests throughout the State of Arizona. Members currently serving on the GRAAC will continue subject to the pleasure of the Governor. Additional members may be appointed by the Governor as needed. The Committee shall serve without compensation. As a minimum, the following interest groups and government agencies will be represented on the GRAAC:

- Military Aviation
- Commercial Aviation
- General Aviation
- Aerospace Industry
- Travel Industry
- Public Utility Industry
- General Business
- Arizona Economic Council
- Economic Development
- Financial Institution
- Local Governments (Counties, Cities and Towns)
- Regional Councils of Government
- Federal Aviation Administration
- State Transportation Board
- Arizona Department of Transportation
- Arizona Department of Commerce
- Arizona Department of Tourism
- Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs
- Governor's Staff
- General Public

3. The Governor will appoint fifteen (15) of the voting members of the GRAAC to a Technical Subcommittee which will advise ADOT staff on the technical methodology for conducting the regional airport feasibility study, review all study products, and provide periodic progress updates to the GRAAC. The GRAAC may establish other subcommittees from among its members as may be advisable to assist the Committee in the performance of its functions.
4. Each member of the GRAAC representing an interest group other than the General Public may, by written notice to the GRAAC Chairman, designate an alternate to function as a GRAAC member or Technical Subcommittee member in the absence of the appointed member.
5. The Governor shall appoint to the GRAAC four (4) non-voting members from the Legislature, one majority and one minority appointment from each House. These appointments shall be made in consultation with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.
6. The major purpose of the Governor's Regional Airport Advisory Committee is to make recommendations to the Governor regarding the need for a new regional airport within the State of Arizona. The Committee shall perform the following functions:
 - a. Review the draft RAFA reports and provide comments to ADOT.
 - b. Hold public meetings about RAFA issues during the study process.
 - c. Report the study findings and recommendations to the Governor.
7. The GRAAC shall be dissolved when the functions listed above have been performed.

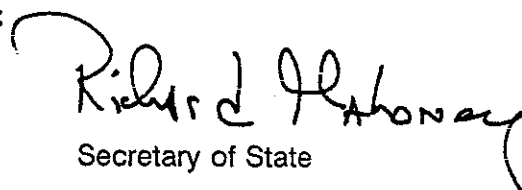
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this Twenty-eighth day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Fifteenth.

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

